House Resolution No. 298

Whereas, it is with great pride and sincere admiration that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an extraordinary young Missouri citizen who has attained tremendous personal success through achievement in the Boy Scouts of America program; and

Whereas, Mark Andrew Bendorf of Troop 31 in Warrensburg, Missouri, will receive the prestigious Eagle Scout Award during a Court of Honor ceremony to be held February 9, 2003, at the Northside Christian Church in Warrensburg; and

Whereas, Mark Bendorf earned the praise and respect of many for the enthusiasm and initiative he displayed in regard to his Eagle Project which involved constructing a fifty-foot stairway, establishing four permanent campfire sites, and renovating the horseshoe pits at the Odessa Hills Campground; and

Whereas, during his nine years in the Scouting program, Mark Bendorf earned an impressive twenty-six merit badges, received the Twentier and World Conservation awards, attained Ordeal membership in the Order of the Arrow, and participated in Scouting for Food, three Klondike Derbies, two years of summer camp at Camp Naish and one year at Camp Mack Morris in Tennessee, and a High Adventure Trip to Camp Spanish Peaks in Colorado; and

Whereas, Mark Bendorf has readily prepared himself for the challenges of the outside world through his important terms of service to his Troop as Assistant Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader, Senior Patrol Leader, Chaplain's Aide, Instructor, and Quartermaster; and

Whereas, a People to People Ambassador who served as Recreation Director of his church youth group and attended the Joseph Baldwin Academy Honors program, Mark Bendorf is an exceptional student at Warrensburg High School where he has distinguished himself as a Conflict Mediator for three years, and member of the National Junior Honor Society, Show Choir, Marching and Jazz bands, and Drumline, where he earned three number one ratings at competitions; and

Whereas, the son of Reggie and Suzanne Bendorf, Mark Bendorf is an exceptional young man who will undoubtedly utilize the skills and knowledge he has acquired in Scouting to secure a place for himself in the world and become a successful, productive adult:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Mark Bendorf at this proud moment of well-deserved distinction, and in wishing him only the very best as he continues to uphold the Scouting tradition with both honor and decorum; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Eagle Scout Mark Andrew Bendorf.

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 298, adopted February 5, 2003.